

### GOVERNOR'S OFFICE OF CRIME CONTROL AND PREVENTION

**Subject:** Public Meeting  
**Date and Time:** March 13, 2017, 1 — 3 p.m.  
**Place:** 100 Community Pl., 1st Fl. Conf. Rm. Side A., Crownsville, MD  
**Add'l. Info:** Juvenile Council Meeting  
**Contact:** Jessica Wheeler (410) 697-9342  
 [17-03-22]

### MARYLAND CYBERSECURITY COUNCIL

**Subject:** Public Meeting  
**Date and Time:** March 17, 2017, 1 — 2 p.m.  
**Place:** Miller Senate Office Bldg., 11 Bladen St., Rms. West I and II, Annapolis, MD  
**Add'l. Info:** This meeting was rescheduled from February 1, 2017. More information can be found at [www.umuc.edu/mdcybersecuritycouncil](http://www.umuc.edu/mdcybersecuritycouncil)  
**Contact:** Greg von Lehmen (301) 832-7488  
 [17-03-34]

### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE

**Subject:** Public Meeting  
**Date and Time:** March 17, 2017, 4:30 — 6 p.m.  
**Place:** Dept. of Health and Mental Hygiene, 201 W. Preston St., Conf. Rm. L3, Baltimore, MD  
**Contact:** Berit Dockter (410) 767-5159  
 [17-03-02]

### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE/MEDICAID PHARMACY AND THERAPEUTICS COMMITTEE

**Subject:** Public Hearing  
**Date and Time:** May 4, 2017, 9 a.m. — 12 p.m.  
**Place:** UMBC Research and Technology Park, S. Rolling Rd., Halethorpe, MD  
**Add'l. Info:** Meeting of the Maryland Medicaid Pharmacy Program's Pharmacy and Therapeutics Committee (Preferred Drug List) — as soon as available, classes of drugs to be reviewed, agenda, speaker registration guidelines, and driving directions will be posted on the Maryland Pharmacy Program website at:  
<https://mmcp.dhmdh.maryland.gov/pap/SitePages/Public%20Announcement%20and%20Procedures%20Public%20Testimony.aspx>  
**Contact:** Shawn Singh (410) 767-6896  
 [17-03-33]

### DEPARTMENT OF HEALTH AND MENTAL HYGIENE/OFFICE OF HEALTH SERVICES

**Subject:** Public Notice for Maryland Medicaid Pharmacy Program's Changes to Reimbursement Methodology  
**Add'l. Info:** The Covered Outpatient Drugs final rule with comment (CMS-2345-FC) published on February 1, 2016 addressed key areas of Medicaid drug reimbursement required by the Affordable Care Act. This final rule creates a reimbursement system for Medicaid programs and pharmacies that more accurately reflects drug cost and the cost of dispensing. The final rule is designed to ensure pharmacy reimbursement aligns with the acquisition cost of drugs and States pay an appropriate professional dispensing fee. The final rule establishes Actual Acquisition Cost (AAC) as the basis by which States should determine their ingredient cost reimbursement so payments are based on a more accurate estimate of the prices available in the marketplace, while still ensuring sufficient beneficiary access. Furthermore, the rule implements the use of the term "professional dispensing fee" to ensure the dispensing fee paid to pharmacies reflects the cost of the pharmacist's professional services and cost to dispense the drug product to a Medicaid beneficiary.

State Medicaid programs must comply with the requirements of this rule by submitting a State Plan Amendment (SPA) to the Centers for Medicare and Medicaid Services by June 30, 2017 to be effective no later than April 1, 2017. Therefore, all State Medicaid agencies must convert to an acquisition cost based reimbursement methodology.

As required by the final rule, the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene is proposing to change the pharmacy provider reimbursement methodology from an Estimated Acquisition Cost (EAC) to an AAC. The proposal also includes an increase in the professional dispensing fee from \$2.56 (for brand products not on the preferred drug list) and \$3.51 (for generic and preferred brand products) to \$10.49 (\$11.49 for institutional or long-term care facility pharmacies, and \$12.12 for 340B covered entities and Federally Qualified Health Centers owned pharmacies).

The projected fiscal impact is zero dollars. The proposed effective date is April 1, 2017.

For a more detailed summary of changes, please see the documents posted on the MMPP webpage:

<https://mmcp.dhmdh.maryland.gov/pap/docs/Presentation%20Slides%20from%20January%209th%20Pharmacy%20Stakeholders%20Meeting.pptx>

Written comments may be sent to Deborah Washington, Maryland Medicaid Pharmacy Program, DHMH 201 W. Preston St., Rm. 408, Baltimore, MD 21201, or emailed to [dhmh.mmpp@maryland.gov](mailto:dhmh.mmpp@maryland.gov). Comments will be accepted through March 3, 2017.

**Contact:** Deborah Washington (410) 767-1455

[17-03-35]

### MARYLAND INSURANCE ADMINISTRATION

**Subject:** Public Meeting  
**Date and Time:** May 8, 2017, 10 a.m.  
**Place:** 200 St. Paul Pl., 24th Fl. Hearing Rm., Baltimore, MD  
**Add'l. Info:** Insurance Commissioner Al Redmer, Jr. will hold a meeting on Monday, May 8, 2017, at 10 a.m., at 200 St. Paul Place, 24th Floor Hearing Room, Baltimore, MD 21202, to review what the Maryland Insurance Administration has done and will continue to do in preparation for the 2017 hurricane season. Commissioner Redmer also will discuss how property and casualty insurers can help the Maryland Insurance Administration promptly and efficiently assist Maryland consumers.

If you plan to attend this meeting, please RSVP to [joy.hatchette@maryland.gov](mailto:joy.hatchette@maryland.gov). If you have any questions, you may also contact Joy Hatchette at the same email address or at 410-468-2029.

You can also call-in to the meeting by dialing 1-866-247-6034. The passcode is 1573490062.

**Contact:** Joy Hatchette (410) 468-2029

[17-03-18]

### MARYLAND STATE LOTTERY AND GAMING CONTROL COMMISSION

**Subject:** Public Meeting  
**Date and Time:** February 23, 2017, 10 a.m. — 12 p.m.  
**Place:** Montgomery Park Business Center, 1800 Washington Blvd., Ste. 330, Baltimore, MD  
**Contact:** Marie A. Torosino (410) 230-8790

[17-03-25]